International trade fairs in various parts of the country

977. SHRI N.R. GOVINDRAJAR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to organize International Trade Fairs in various parts of the country to promote country's trade with other countries; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO) organises international trade fairs annually in various parts of the country to promote India's trade with other countries. The forthcoming events during the financial year 2005-2006 are as follows:—

- Delhi Book Fair, New Delhi (August, 27 to September 4, 2005).
- International Leather Goods Fair, Kolkata (September 3-5, 2005).
- India International Trade Fair, New Delhi (November 14-27, 2005).
- International Security, Safety & Fire Exhibition, New Delhi (December 9-12, 2005 (biennial event).
- India International Leather Fair, Chennai (January 31 to February 3, 2006).
- Mumbai International Fair for Consumer Goods, Mumbai (February, 2006).
- Tex-Style India, New Delhi (March 1-4, 2006).
- AHARA-The International Food Fair, New Delhi (March 8-12, 2006).

Setting up of industrial estate in East India

978. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE:
SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up 1500 crore industrial estates in East India;

(b) if so, what is the share of investment for North East Region industrial estates with particular reference to Assam;

(c) by when such industrial estates are likely to be set up in the North East Region;

(d) the details thereof indicating the projects likely to come up; and

(e) whether industrial estates already existing in the North East Region, which are in bad condition, are likely to be revitalized; if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) to (e) The Government has prepared a new Plan Scheme—"Integrated Infrastructure Development of the Eastern and North Eastern Region". The Scheme would benefit 8 States of North Eastern region *viz.* Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura and Sikkim and the Eastern States of Bihar, Jharkhand, Orissa and West Bengal. There would be two (2) industrial locations each in the States of Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Orissa and Assam which can be selected for benefits under the Scheme. For each of the other States, there would be one (1) such industrial location. The Government would provide a 'one-time' assistance of Rs. 100 crore to each industrial location.

Steps to promote consumption of Coffee in Karnataka

979. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state the various steps taken to promote domestic consumption of coffee in Karnataka?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): In order to promote consumption of coffee in Karnataka, Coffee Board is running 3 Coffee Outlets in Karnataka to provide good quality liquid coffee and pure coffee powder at reasonable prices. Coffee Board has been undertaking following coffee promotion activities to increase the domestic consumption of coffee in the country including Karnataka:—

- Participation in important internal fairs at national, regional, local levels etc. with wet sampling of coffee.